

Preparedness at a Glance

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On the RADAR: Upcoming Deliverables

The purpose of this rotating list of the upcoming deliverables is to serve as a reminder of the tasks local health departments need to complete. Since many of the deliverables are due by the end of the fiscal year – June 30, 2014, our goal is to encourage LHDs to develop a plan on how you will work on the deliverables throughout the year.

Core Deliverables

• Joint Meetings

- Participate in Joint Meetings, Conference and ITVs. Next ITV meeting **10/9/13 1:30 – 4:30ET – MRB 1803654 – This ITV includes the second of three Capability Assessment Training sessions.** ITVs are also Webcast for those unable to participate on the scheduled date. Webcast link will be provided approximately 1 week after the ITV.
- The next Joint Face to Face meeting will be held in Frankfort on **November 13, 8:30 – 4:30 ET.**

• Planning

- Update Critical Infrastructure Personnel Numbers and upload into Catalyst by **December 31, 2013**

• Training

- **Capability Assessment Training Workshop, Session 2- This session is held in conjunction with the 10/9/13 ITV.** After attending Each LHD should complete capability assessment survey within two weeks of the corresponding workshop. These sessions are recorded and available via Webcast for those unable to participate on the scheduled date. Webcast link will be provided approximately 1 week after the ITV.

• Exercises/Real events

- After Action Reports/Improvement Plans or Executive Summary will be completed and uploaded into Catalyst. **Due within 60 days** of an exercise or planned event, **or within 120 days** of a real-world event

MRC Deliverables

• Medical Reserve Corps Tasks

- Participate in State MRC Leader Meetings. Next meeting is November 12. Contact: Heather.Walls@ky.gov for more information.

CRI Deliverables

• CRI Tasks

- LHD in the CRI jurisdiction will provide their SNS plan along with support plans and documentation to the KDPH CRI Coordinator **completed by 3/31/14**

HPP Deliverables

- Regional Response Plans
 - Submit updated regional response plans **NLT Dec. 30, 2013**

Deliverable documentation must be uploaded or updated in Catalyst unless otherwise

Deliverable Highlight – Participate in Joint Meetings and Conferences

To meet this deliverable each LHD will send one or more representatives to two Joint meetings and the ESF8 Preparedness conference and participate in three ITV meetings live or via webcast.

Sign in sheets must be submitted to Sandi Wright as proof of ITV and Webcast attendance.

The Branch will maintain sign-in sheets for the face to face meetings and the March Conference.

WELCOME

Welcome

*Molly Jernigan, Regional
Epi with Buffalo
Trace/Gateway District*

Local News:

MRC supports Cost of Freedom Event

Submitted by Rebecca Hardin

The Mercer/Anderson Medical Reserve Corps provided a cooling and first aid station for the public, event volunteers and the National Guard on duty at the traveling Vietnam Memorial Wall event in Harrodsburg on August 30 – September 1. The displays were at Anderson-Dean Park and were open 24 hours over Labor Day Weekend. Despite the heat and humidity on Friday and Saturday, over 50,000 were in attendance. The busiest day for first aid was Friday, 4 children were treated for heat-related illness, with two of the four being transported by EMS to a local hospital and two adults were cared for after suffering asthma attacks. The volunteers continuously walked the event to assess visitors, provided free cold water donated from Pepsi, hand fans provided by Mercer County Health Department and maintained mist fans at the cooling station. MRC volunteers also provided taxi service to and from each parking lot and the event site as well as helping in the name locator tent. Boyle and Clark County MRC volunteers assisted the Mercer/Anderson unit along with Mercer/Anderson HOSA members. A total of 23 MRC volunteers donated 168 hours over the Holiday weekend and an additional 18 HOSA volunteers provided 104 hours. Mercer/Anderson MRC would like to say a big thank you to all of the volunteers for their dedication!



Ashland/Boyd Gets Ready

Submitted by Micki Miller

The Ashland-Boyd County Health Department participates in Preparedness Awareness Month each year. This year's theme was used from www.ready.gov which included Super Heroes. A National Preparedness Awareness Banner was placed outside where all visitors and patients could view. The banner was used to remind those in the community to make a plan, prepare a kit, and get prepared for the upcoming Fall/Winter weather. The Health Department educates the community of Boyd County throughout the year with various activities and educational bulletin boards during the Fall/Winter, Spring, and Summer months.

2013 CSEPP Exercise

On September 18, at 8:52 AM, the Bluegrass Army Depot in Madison County reported an explosion in an igloo containing GB (Sarin) rockets. Response to the incident rapidly grew to include multiple partners from local, state and federal agencies and numerous hospitals. Of course, the incident was simulated and part of the annual Chemical Stockpile Emergency Preparedness Program (CSEPP) exercise. The CSEPP program began in 1985 when Congress directed the Army to destroy certain kinds of chemical weapons.

In Kentucky, the CSEPP program involves 10 counties. Madison County is considered an Immediate Response Zone (IRZ). Clark, Powell, Estill, Jackson, Rockcastle and Garrard Counties form the Protective Action Zone (PAZ). Fayette, Jessamine and Laurel counties are considered Host counties and must be prepared to address the needs of citizens evacuating from other affected counties. This includes decontamination and sheltering of both human and companion animals.

For more information about CSEPP or the Chemical Weapons Convention, please visit:

<http://1.usa.gov/16L6JTu> (FEMA/CSEPP)

<http://csepp.ky.gov/> (KY CSEPP Overview)

<http://bit.ly/1eUICb6> (PDF- CSEPP Brochure)

<http://bit.ly/TEpPCY> (UN Office for Disarmament Affairs)

<http://bit.ly/1aNG08F> Lexington Fire Decon Training Photos



Pictures from Lexington CSEPP Exercise

News from the Branch:



Welcome Grant Gillion – Exercise Coordinator

Grant comes to KDPH with several years of experience in emergency response. Grant was a career full time Firefighter/EMT at Franklin County Fire Dept for over 3 years. He left the Fire Dept. in 2007 in order to go back to school and spend more time with his family. He joined the private sector and began working at Valvoline in Lexington as a Store Manager and then as the Resource Efficiency Manager. While working at Valvoline he attended Midway College at night and graduated in 2009 with a Bachelor's Degree in Organizational Management (Business).

In 2011 he was hired by KYEM to serve as the Property Resource Manager. In 2012 he was promoted to Hazmat Program Coordinator, where he worked with the LEPC's and Fire Departments to coordinate training and exercises.

Grant currently lives in Frankfort with his wife, Whitney who is a Registered Nurse at Central Baptist Hospital. They have 2 girls and 2 boys: Makena who is 11, Rylan 6, Talan 5, and Kaedyn who is 2 years old who all keep life extremely busy and interesting.

Grant holds the following certifications

Fire and Hazmat Certifications: Firefighter 1 & 2, Haz-Mat Ops, Haz-Mat Awareness, Haz-Mat Tech, KY Certified Professional Firefighter, EMT-B

EM Certifications: FEMA Professional Development Series Cert, ICS train the trainer, and HSEEP.

Radiological Workshop held in Louisville

Submitted by Becki Patton

September 4th and 5th, the FBI Louisville Division, KY Dept. for Public Health and KY Hospital Association hosted the Radiological Awareness and Response Workshop. The workshop drew an audience from across the state from various response agencies. Speakers presented information on their individual agency capabilities as well as lessons learned from radiological events in other countries. Day two included an opportunity for participants to retreat into breakout sessions and work through an exercise scenario involving a radiological scenario. The exercise gave participants an opportunity to network and learn more about how information would flow and how response would be provided in such an event within the Commonwealth. Participants left with a greater understanding of Kentucky's current posture on Radiological Preparedness as well as steps moving forward.



Save the Date: ESF-8 Preparedness Conference

The ESF8 Preparedness Workshop will be held in Louisville, KY on March 3 – 5. The Branch is currently in the planning stage for the workshop which will have training sessions for both new and experienced Preparedness staff. Plans for providing continuing education for RNs, RS and CHES are underway. If other disciplines would like to request continuing educations we will try to accommodate.

For a sneak peek – these are some of the classes we are considering:

- Nose to Snout (Pet) CPR
- Nuts and Bolts
- Epi Info training
- NDMS
- Family Assistance Centers
- Shelter surveillance
- Mass Care Inspections
- Disaster Epi
- Food/Water Investigations
- Animal Sheltering/preparedness
- KOIN/COIN

More information will be made available as the time for the workshop nears.



Training - Know How

Capability 5 – 9 training(Session2)

Along with the Joint Preparedness ITV - 1:30 – 4:30 ET

Contact: Teddy Slone

October 9

ICS 400 Train #1046091 - Ashland FCI

Registration on TRAIN using Course ID number is 1046091

Contact: John Hunt

October 23 - 24

Animals & Disaster: Awareness and Preparedness for Owners

Contact: Margaret Hibbs. Held in Henderson, KY

November 14

ICS400 ITV (Locations vary)

Contact: John Rudolph or your RPC

TRAIN registration required Course ID 1045922

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Events and Exercises

KYEM Statewide Hospital Exercise

Contact KYEM

October 16-17

Region 15 (South and North) Planners Meeting

Jessamine Co HD – contact Rebecca Hardin or Jason Dotson

October 23

MRC Unit Leader meeting

Time to be determined – Contact Heather Walls

November 12

Joint Preparedness Meeting – Frankfort 8:30a – 4:30p ET

Contact: Kim Yazell

November 13

KY/TN UPC Meeting

Contact: Jessica Gover

November 22

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PIO Training

We are looking at scheduling a PIO spokesperson training for 2014. If anyone is interested in hosting the two-day MGT-318 PIO spokesperson training, please contact Barbara Fox (BarbaraJ.Fox@ky.gov), 502-564-6786, ext. 3102. This is an excellent training opportunity to bring together your local responders and train together. The training is free and a working lunch on both days can.



Holiday Reminder

This is a reminder that KDPH and most Health Departments will be closed on the following days:

November 11 – Veterans Day

November 28-29 – Thanksgiving

December 24-25 – Christmas

December 31 – New Year's Eve

January 1- New Year's Day

Newsletter Submissions

Articles for the November newsletter are due October 18. Articles and pictures can be submitted through the RPCs or directly to KimD.Yazell@ky.gov